WHAT IS NATIONAL PREVENTION WEEK

National Prevention Week initiatives bring community members, health professionals, nonprofit organizations, businesses and government entities together to support the prevention of substance use and the promotion of mental health through local events and activities.

NATIONAL PREVENTION WEEK IN WEST HARTFORD

Activities in West Hartford are scheduled for each day of the week, Monday through Friday, reflecting national priorities.

West Hartford National Prevention Week activities are shared by the West Hartford Department of Social Services and the West Hartford Prevention Partnership.

This year’s theme – “Inspiring Action. Changing Lives.” – reminds us that we can all create positive change through the year. Every day and everywhere, whether we make healthy choices for ourselves or inspire others to do so, the small actions we take as individuals or as a community can change lives for the better.

MONDAY MAY 13TH
Preventing Prescription and Opioid Drug Misuse Event: Book discussion of “Dopesick” by Beth Macy Location: Conard High School Library @ 7:00pm 110 Beechwood Rd, West Hartford, CT Discussion facilitated by Maureen Plourd and Ken Plourd, West Hartford Prevention Partnership

TUESDAY MAY 14TH
Preventing Underage Drinking and Alcohol Misuse Event: Information Booth Location: Conard High School during track meet @ 3:45pm 110 Beechwood Rd, West Hartford, CT

WEDNESDAY MAY 15TH
Preventing Illicit Drug Use & Youth Marijuana Use Event: Presentation and discussion of “Marijuana Myths, Measures and Misunderstanding: Truths the Marijuana Industry Doesn’t Want You to Know.” Location: Faxon Library Community Room @ 6:30pm 1073 New Britain Ave, West Hartford, CT Presentation facilitated by John Daviau, MACP, CPS, Connecticut Association of Prevention Professionals

THURSDAY MAY 16TH
Prevent Youth Tobacco Use Event: Information Booth Location: Hall High School during lacrosse game @ 3:45pm 975 N. Main St, West Hartford, CT

FRIDAY MAY 17TH
Preventing Suicide Event: Information Booth Locations: West Hartford Teen Center @ 7:00pm 1106 New Britain Ave, West Hartford, CT Veterans Memorial Ice Skating Rink @ 7:00pm 56 Buena Vista Rd, West Hartford, CT

ALL WEEK
Information tables located at Town Hall lobby and various Town facilities.